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REMARKS

The application did not contain an Abstract. An Abstract is enclosed herewith on a separate sheet of paper.

The specification has been amended herein to insert section headings as requested by the Examiner.

Claims 5-8 were objected to under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph as being indefinite. The claims have been amended as suggested. Claim 5 was further amended to identify the "box-type bar" as "(1)" throughout the claim as consistent with the specification and drawings.

Claims 5-8 were stated to be allowable if rewritten to overcome the objection. Since these changes have been made, allowance of claims 5-8 is respectfully requested.

It appears that all matters have been addressed satisfactorily, and that the case is now in condition for a complete allowance; and the same is respectfully urged.

However, if the Examiner has any comments or questions, or has any suggestions as per MPEP 707.07 (d) and (j), for putting the case in condition for final allowance, he is respectfully urged to contact the undersigned attorney-of-record at the telephone number below, so that an expeditious resolution may be effected and the case passed to issue promptly.

Date

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